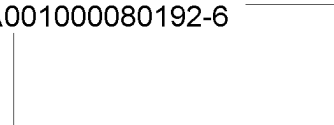


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14 March 1956

Dear Dick:

In view of the fact that most of us are prone to express our criticisms of persons with whom we deal rather than our appreciation for their unique qualities and characteristics, I should like to take this opportunity of calling to your attention what appears to me to be most unusual performance on the part of a member of your team. I am referring particularly to George, with whom I have had very frequent contact both in person and by telephone. Heretofore it has never been my experience to have dealt with a contracting officer who combines at once the depth of understanding of the activities and problems common to advanced research and development programs, an obvious competence to deal with all manner of problems that can beset a contracting officer, a graciousness in dealing with contractor personnel, and an ability to convey a sense of personal integrity, such as appears to be characteristic of George.

Lest you be disturbed by this array of adjectives in George's praise, I have no ulterior motives in addressing this note to you other than the hope that this expression of opinion, coupled with others which must have been expressed similarly by contractors with whom you have relations at this time, may be of assistance in securing for George full and proper recognition of his unusual talents and abilities.

Sincerely,



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